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Boldness vs. Rashness.
All are liable to err, but according to our opinion, nothing is more valuable in a newspaper than boldness in the expression of its views. Decision and determination are characteristics absolutely essential to success, and the editor who seeks to "beat around" an issue that is before the people, for fear that his views are not popular, is unworthy the support of any community. But we also say that nothing should be condemned more than the custom, prevalent among some newspapers, of trying to influence public opinion upon the guilt or innocence of a party accused of crime, before the facts are presented to a jury. The press is undoubtedly a power, and its freedom one of the brightest stars that mark the superiority of the American government, yet it should never be allowed to interfere with or supersede trial by jury.

To be tried for crime is a serious thing, and our government declares that it shall be done fairly and impartially; any attempt from any source, to influence in any manner the minds of those whose whose duty it is to decide, is contrary to the spirit of our institutions and should be condemned. Some newspapers seem ever ready and anxious to publish scandal, yea, they appear to subsist upon it, and more rumor they turn into facts, and in the harshest manner prejudice the accused.

More than once we have been urged to adopt this course. Friends have told us that it would make hundreds of subscribers if we denounce certain accused persons. Perhaps this is true; the public seem far too eager to read these sensational and scandalous articles; but, be that as it may, let us lose every subscriber, let us turn up our toes and die, the ADVERTISER will never be guilty of such a course, knowingly. We endeavor to state everything that comes to our knowledge, that it is proper to state, and do so in an impartial manner—to state no rumor as a fact, and comment on it as such. If the public desires more, let them go to a *Police Gazette* or other scandal-monger. We desire to injure no one, and hold truth above price.

If you would read a man's character, look at him while he is pursuing his daily avocation. Some, can labor and toil from day to day in humble positions and all the while preserve a cheerful and happy appearance that is sure to draw the attention of the most casual observer, while others go about their work with a downcast look that throws a gloom over all who come in contact with them. The young man who stands behind the counter and greets his customers with a smile; who has a cheerful word for all, is worth more to his employer than a dozen such as appear to have lost even the faintest ray of hope, and have not learned to look upon the bright side of life. The world—its cold, hard and unyielding—demands more than simple respect. He who can gather drops of cheerfulness, even in adversity, and has gained the happy faculty of casting rays of sunshine into the lives of his fellow-men, will surely gain their esteem.

The time is fast coming when the young men of the South will realize their condition. They will no longer seek the learned professions in order to gain a higher social position, but the true dignity of labor will be asserted and they will learn that it is not the avocation that elevates a man, but the manner in which he applies himself.

He who enters upon the arena of life without a consciousness of ability to take a prominent rank in his chosen profession, should be warned by the experience of thousands, who, by misguided judgment, have been led to undertake more than their natural ability would justify, and consequently, have been wrecked ere the voyage of life was fairly begun. In this aggressive age, sharp competition is met with in every line, and true worth and genuine merit alone can survive the shocks that will surely come.

A newspaper has just appeared in Dakota called the *Headlight*, and its motto is: "We believe in boiling hell down to half a pint and ministering it at a single

Skilled Workmen.
The tendency of modern mechanics is toward specialization. What the artisan loses in skill, expanded through many trades, is gained in value and rapidity of production when he is confined to one branch. The vast number and minute divisions of labor offer innumerable chances for individual adaptation. After long practice, encouraged by good wages and the Anglo-Saxon innate desire to excel, workmen exhibit amazing skill. The highest excellence can only thus be attained. He who endeavors to excel in all the professions, excels in none. The jack-of-trades-man is usually a loafer. In life, in the United States, competition is close, and an average good workman, mental or mechanical, receives less than a just reward. If this was not so, progress would be snail-like.

Workmen ought to confine themselves to a specialty. Excel in some specific branch. The specialist, whether in law, medicine or mechanics, is the one who commands place and salary, for superior excellence is always superlatively rewarded.

Before What Bar.
If people occasionally take the law into their own hands, is it not owing, in part at least, to the fact that they fear the courts and juries will not do their duty and punish the guilty? And if this fear exists, is it not owing, in part at least, to railings of certain newspapers about "lawlessness" in the State? We have no doubt of it. The courts in South Carolina administer justice as impartially as any courts in the country; but the due administration of law and justice has been interfered with by arraiging persons accused of crime before the bar of public opinion, as if that were the tribunal for their conviction or acquittal. When the public mind has been thus wrought up to the point of believing a party guilty on *ex parte* statements, and the court and jury, after hearing all the evidence on both sides, fail to convict, the public is led to believe that the law is not enforced and lynch law follows as a natural consequence.—*Newberry Observer.*

—The State Democratic Committee, held a meeting at the residence of John S. Barbour, Chairman, met in Richmond the other day and was in session several hours hearing reports from different sections of the State. The news generally was very encouraging. From statements made the committee men feel justified in asserting that the election of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee for Governor is assured, and that they will have a majority in both branches of the General Assembly. Representatives came from a number of doubtful counties to ask the committee for help, and were promised all the assistance that the committee could afford.

—Miss Nellie Grant has found out at last that she made a mistake in getting married—that is, she married the wrong man. She is probably aware of the fact now that Shakespeare knew what he meant when he said the "course of true love never did run smooth." Her's was a brilliant marriage, but it proved the "vanity of vanities." How much better for her would it have been if she had selected some poor but worthy young man, instead of the rich spendthrift. After all, money cannot purchase happiness. Miss Nellie is a general favorite, and the husband must be in fault this time.

—Odds are being offered by a number of Ohio Democrats that Sherman will not be the United States Senator. This is based on the theory that there has been a canvass of the new members made, and information elicited that there are several republican members who will not support Sherman, in case the Legislature is republican. The outward claims from each headquarters are that they will each have three majority on joint ballot, conceding that the democrats will have Hamilton County solid.

—The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed James R. Sneed, of Georgia, and L. R. Reid, of Virginia, to be chiefs of division in the Register's office. Sneed was formerly assistant postmaster of the United States Senate and secretary to ex-senator H.H. Reid. Reid is a resident of Alexandria, Va., and was formerly accountant of the Virginia Midland Railroad. These appointments were made in place of Arthur Hendricks and J. A. Beatty, who resigned by request of Secretary Manning.

—It is estimated that 72,000 persons are held in penal confinement in the United States. This number, possibly, only refers to the convicts in the penitentiary and the large prisons. Thousands more serve out short sentences in jails and work-houses. There are thousands more who ought to be in prison, but are kept out by money and influence. This is a bad showing for our country. We need more missionaries. The heathen is at our door.

Peas are cheaper food for pigs than corn. They fatten them very rapidly, although they do not make as solid pork as corn. They have this advantage over corn: They mature early and can be fed as soon as large enough for green peas, the pigs consuming vines and all.

FAIR OPENING
Our Millinery Opening has been such a success, we will continue our display during Fair week. Don't fail to see our styles at Emporium of Fashion.
W. H. GILKESON.

WASHINGTON, October 25.—The Three several petitions have presented to the department of justice asking that suits in equity be brought to vacate the Bell patents now owned by the American Bell Telephone Company. Two of these petitions were presented by the Globe Telephone Company and the other by the Washington Telephone Company. In each case the department of justice has referred the petitions, with accompanying papers, to the department of the interior for the report, advice and recommendation of the secretary of the interior. The secretary of the interior in turn has referred them to the commissioner of patents for his "report and opinion." Mr. Montgomery has submitted to him a brief summary of each case.

Plantation Philosophy.

Dar's mighty few promises dat hol's good.

De peartest boy sometimes turns out ter be de laziest man.

De quick man ain't allus de best han' to do er piece o' work.

De best rain comes from de slow cloud.

Dar ain't no hope fur de born fool. De bigger de chances yer gin him to show dat he hab got sen e de mo' he will probe hat he is er fool.—*Ed.*

—Judge Cochran has decided again—this time in Orangeburg—that trial justices have no jurisdiction in petit larceny, nor of any offense of which the circuit court has jurisdiction.

—Agriculture is a dangerous business in California. Last week a squash broke loose from a vine, rolled down a hill, smashed in one side of a barn, and killed a horse.

—A. W. Shaw, better known as "Josh Billings," died at Monterey, Cal., on the 11th inst., of apoplexy. The body was embalmed and sent East.

—Horse-trading is forbidden by the Yorkville town council, and police patrol the lots to prevent violations of the ordinance.

—The trial of Ferdinand Ward commenced on Monday.

—Bullion in the Bank of England increased £81,208 during the past week.

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SAMUEL R. TODD,
JNO. A. BARKSDALE.
Sept. 29, 1885. 9 1m

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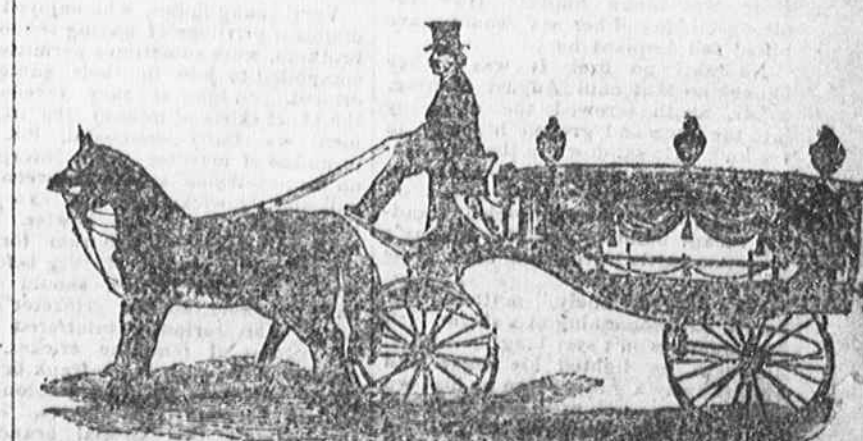
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